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AMERICAN IMMIGRATION PROBLEMS.

AN EXPERIENCE OF ELLIS ISLAND.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, December 13.
The Assistant Secretary of Labour, addressing the Immigration Conference, advocated further restrictions on immigration, and declared that the acute labour shortage of a few months ago had become an unemployment problem, which threatened to assume menacing proportions.
Mr. A. J. Derbyshire, of Utica, a director of the Americanization Council, created a mild sensation by demanding the removal of the Ellis Island immigration station, as it was "a blot on the country." He stated that he had come from Italy in the guise of an immigrant, and his experience was "one long series of humiliations."

THE MEXICAN POSITION.

GOVERNMENT CLAIMS BIG SUPPORT.

Washington, December 13.
The Mexican Embassy states that the Government controls the whole Republic, except small sections of Vera Cruz and Jalisco. Obregon's forces are already in contact with the rebels, and a definite battle is expected during the present week. A vigorous final attack is planned against rebels.
Military officers of all ranks with the exception of Generals Sanchez and Estrada are fully supporting the Government.

THE QUESTION OF A LOAN TO GERMANY.

Washington, December 13.
Senator Lenroot, after a conference with President Coolidge, stated that he would hold in abeyance his Bill for appropriation of twenty million dollars for German relief, pending the conclusion of negotiations for an international loan to Germany. He added that he agreed with Mr. Coolidge that any aid to Germany should be on a business rather than a charitable basis.

(Reuter's Service.)

LORD ALFRED DOUGLAS SENT TO GAOL.

JUDGES' STRONG COMMENTS ON THE DEFENCE.
London, December 13.
Lord Alfred Douglas has been sentenced to six months in the second division for criminal libelling Mr. Winston Churchill.
Mr. Justice Avey, summing up, said he did not believe any counsel had ever been allowed greater latitude than Mr. Hayes, whose address to the jury was a mixture of diatribe against politicians and utterances of Mr. Churchill. Mr. Justice Avey emphasized that Lord Alfred Douglas persisted in the libels after their falsehood had been proved in the *Morning Post*. He took this action without the slightest grounds for believing he was telling the truth, and his defence had been conducted in a most opprobrious manner. His Lordship ordered Lord Alfred Douglas on the expiration of the sentence to find a surety to keep the peace, particularly towards Mr. Churchill, failing which surety he was to undergo a further six months imprisonment.

GERMAN BANKRUPTCY IMMINENT.

DESPERATE EFFORT TO OBTAIN MONEY.

Berlin, December 13.
In a final effort to postpone the announcement of its bankruptcy, the Government intends to resort to drastic taxation by the issue of regulations under the Emergency Powers Bill imposing additional and very heavy burdens compelling taxpayers to dispose of some of their property in order to pay; furthermore taxes due in January for Rhine and Ruhr relief are being collected now, but the revenue from these will only suffice for a limited period. The Government does not possess further resources, and apparently considers there is nothing left to be done but to appeal abroad for a large loan. The form of this has not yet been settled.

THE ANGLO-PERSIAN OIL SHARES.

LABOUR OBJECTS TO GOVERNMENT SELLING.

London, December 13.
In view of rumours of the possibility of the Government selling its shares in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, the executive committee of the Labour party has requested Mr. Ramsay MacDonald to convey to Mr. Baldwin their opinion that the disposal of the shares would be contrary to public policy, and in the present circumstances would be improper.

GERMANY TO NEGOTIATE WITH FRANCE.

A Berlin message says the Government has decided to ask France to negotiate directly on the Rhine and Ruhr questions. The German charge d'affaires will call at the Quai D'Orsay in this connection.—Habsa.

(Other Telegrams on Pages 2 and 11.)

"KINGSCLEERE" SITE.

OBJECTION TO TERRACES.

THE OWNERS' POSITION.

A report that a hitch has occurred in their building scheme on account of Government objection to having terrace houses built on the site, led a *Telegraph* reporter this morning to interview the new owner of the former Bellios Estate property on which Kingscleere stands. It was admitted that semi-detached houses were what the Government wanted, but that owing to the original plans having matured to the extent that they could not be withdrawn without serious inconvenience to the owners, it was hoped that the Government might eventually agree to them.

The position of the new owners is that since the acquisition of the property, plans have been drawn up for division of the site into twenty-five houses, divided into two terraces, the upper terrace facing on to Macdonnell Road. The majority of these lots had new been re-sold to various private owners who intended to build their own residences. Previous to the transference of these lots the prospective tenants were required to enter into an agreement with the syndicate that the houses to be built by them should conform to one uniform type. Matters had proceeded thus far before the Government intention became known. If semi-detached houses were built on the spot, we are informed that there would be less accommodation available. Plans have been prepared for the terrace houses and these would be submitted for approval shortly. The syndicate hopes that with the removal of the outstanding difficulty, they may be enabled to commence building operations at the beginning of next year.

CANTON HARD UP.

NEW MEASURES TO RAISE FUNDS.

Reports from Canton indicate that the Government is still faced with considerable financial stringency and that extraordinary efforts are being made to secure funds with which to meet military expenses.

Some time ago there was a protest against the proposed tax on hotel bills, but after a strike the issue was settled. A new tax is, however, now suggested for meeting military expenses, this to be collected by an entirely fresh batch of officials. The hotel owners have been advised that this tax will be imposed on customers, but at a general meeting they have decided to request the Civil Government and the Treasurer to have the proposal cancelled, stating that if their request is refused they will take action.

The members of the Nine Benevolent Societies are being pressed for payment of the balance of \$87,000 which the Government requires for military expenses, and they have called a meeting for the purpose of mortgaging the Societies' properties so that the demand may be met.

The Government is said to have decided to order all licensed junks to subscribe a month's additional taxes.

All the district magistrates in the North River region have been instructed to supply daily from one to two thousand catties of rice for the military forces now operating in the locality.

Fosses have been issued by the Government of three different prices, the possessors of which will be exempted from being commandeered for military transport work.

GIANT POTATO.

A potato measuring in circumference 17 inches one way and 15 inches another, and weighing 25½ lb., has been dug up in Hampton Hill allotments by Mr. E. Newman.

THE ALLEGED "MUTINY."

DESCRIBED AS "PASSIVE RESISTANCE."

COMPLAINTS OF BAD FOOD.

The s.s. Paul Regendanz, with fifteen alleged mutineers aboard, arrived in port about ten o'clock last night. Mr. L.P.J. de Decker, Consul for the Netherlands, and also representing Germany, together with Mr. P.P.J. Wodehouse, Inspector Angus and Inspector Bond, immediately boarded the ship where she was anchored at Stonecutter's, and until one o'clock this morning they remained on board interrogating Capt. Fuhrmann, his officers and crew, in an endeavour to get to the bottom of the trouble.

The Paul Regendanz is a ship of 2,994 registered tons. Her officers and crew—forty-five all told—are Germans, but she sails under the flag of Panama. She is at present under the charter of the Rickmers Line, and her voyage is from Hamburg, via Port Said, Colombo, Chinese and Japanese ports, across the Pacific and finishing at Panama.

Trouble started, it appears, when the ship reached Port Said. The crew at that time were paid in marks, to which they objected. The matter was put right, however, by paying them instead in American dollars, which is the currency in which they now receive their wages. At Colombo, it is gathered, the captains were changed, the present master taking command at that port. Why this was done, nobody in Hongkong seems to know, but some of those interviewed this morning by a *Telegraph* representative appeared to think a great deal about the matter.

Mr. de Decker, seen this morning, was rather reticent as to the result of his enquiry; his replies to questions were very guarded. He described the trouble as "passive resistance" and not mutiny. The complaint of the fifteen stokers concerned was with regard to the food, but Mr. de Decker was unable to say whether the complaints were justified. He said the deck hands seemed quite satisfied. He referred to a tin of bad meat, which it was stated had been given them. But this, he explained, might have happened on any ship. The trouble is not going to be settled in Hongkong, the *Telegraph* representative was informed. The ship will leave Hongkong after she has taken on coal and proceed to Shanghai, for which port she has cargo.

Non-official stories of the state of things aboard the Paul Regendanz are a little more lurid however. Insufficient and bad food are stated to be the cause of the trouble. The men are said to be too weak to work. Tales of hard biscuits and water forming a day's ration, and on some days nothing at all, reached the *Telegraph* representative during the course of his enquiries this morning. Pork and beans given them were bad, it is alleged, and had to be thrown over the side. The chief engineer is stated to be dissatisfied also and to be leaving the ship at Shanghai. The coal taken on at Colombo is stated to have been some of the worst they had ever seen, and the pressman was informed officially that when the Paul Regendanz arrived in port last night she had only half a ton left. The men are quite willing to work the ship on to Shanghai, it seems; all they want is more and better food.

Captain Fuhrmann, interviewed by a *Telegraph* representative this afternoon, denied the allegations made by some of the firemen with regard to the quantity and quality of the food. Soup, cakes and other kinds of food were supplied them, cooked by a good cook engaged at Hamburg. The men were quite well and fit to work. Captain Fuhrmann maintained. Referring to the change of masters at Colombo, it appears that Captain Fuhrmann was chief officer at that time. At that port the Captain decided to retire and go to America, and Captain Fuhrmann was put in charge of the ship.

BANDIT OUTRAGE.

TOWN BURNED AND LOOTED.

OFFICIALS CARRIED OFF.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Dec. 4.
Changsha reports that three thousand bandits, under the leadership of the notorious chiefs, Chen Yen-teh and Wang Han-ying, captured Chao on Wednesday, burning and looting, and carrying off the Magistrate, the Education Commissioner, two other officials and over a hundred others, many of whom are women.

Those who escaped fled to Kweiyang, which is guarded by a detachment of troops.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Credited with an existence of 700 years, the annual Quit Rent Services to the Crown by the Corporation of London was rendered before Sir Willes Chitty, the King's Remembrancer, at the Law Courts in mail week. These services are the survival of feudal days, and are made in respect of a plot of land in the Strand on which a forge once stood and an estate called "The Moors" in Shropshire. Its respect of the forge site 61 nails and six horse-shoes are presented, while for the Shropshire estate the ceremony of cutting two fagots, one with a hatchet and the other with a bill hook, is solemnly enacted.

No county in England has experienced such decline in importance as Rutland the voters of which recently exercised their privilege. Until 40 years ago, Rutland sent two members to the House of Commons; its representation was reduced to one until 1918; and to-day it has only a portion of a member, for the division now consists of Rutland and a piece of Lincolnshire. The county is almost the same size as the Isle of Wight, but it has only one fifth of the population, while, although its acreage is greater than that of the County of London, the latter has 244 times Rutland's population.

The L.C.C. may yet have to answer for this new movement in favour of putting greens in public parks. A sorrowful and long handicapped golfer writes to know whether the possibilities of this movement have been fully explored in their effect on the new generation.

He points out that everyone knows that golf, of all games, is the most productive of profanity, and he adds that missed putts have produced more strange oaths than anything else, even in golf. "And here," he cries, "is the London County Council, protector of the young, censor of morals, educator of a new generation, deliberately encouraging all and sundry to miss putts and discover new varieties of profanity." The thing should be looked to.

Some interesting information regarding the development of the reading habit among seamen is given by the Seafarers' Education Service, an organisation which provides libraries for the crew on board ship. The taste in reading with sailors lies, as might be expected, with the romantic novel. First favourite would seem to be Rider Haggard, with "Queen of Sheba's Ring," and high in favour also are "The Willing Horse" (Ian Hay), "Old Mortality" (Scott), "Adventures of Tom Sawyer" (Mark Twain), "The Queen's Necklace" (Dumas), and "The Red House Mystery" (A. A. Milne). On one voyage an engine-room hand read "The Life and Letters of Erasmus" (Froude), Hazlitt's "Table Talk," Kipling's "Captains Courageous," Shakespeare's historical plays, and the works of Coleridge and Tennyson.

KOWLOON TRANSPORT.

NEW MOTOR BUS SCHEMES IN ABEYANCE.

A report is current in local motor circles that a new motor bus company is being planned for Kowloon. It is stated that a Chinese syndicate which has been formed for the purpose intends to import a number of motor buses of English manufacture, each capable of seating thirty-five passengers, but that this scheme has been held in abeyance pending the outcome of the views of the Government in respect of a suitable means of public transportation for Kowloon.

The same indecision may have led Mr. Shum Kai, the promoter of another new motor bus company, to operate on the Kowloon Ferry-Laichikok-Castle Peak route, to have withheld his scheme, after having obtained the necessary permit for the service from the Traffic Department. Nothing has been further heard of his intention to import the motor buses for the service from America.

A *Telegraph* representative learned this morning that tenders for the new tramway service for Kowloon will be all called in by the end of the month. Pending the result of this investigation, it is doubtful if the various motor bus companies already in operation will carry on with certain schemes for improvements in their service that have been planned.

RADIO CO. SUED.

COMPRADEORE'S CLAIM FOR ADVANCES.

Mr. E. G. Osborn and the Radio Communication Company (Orient) were the defendants in one of the cases on the list to come before Mr. Justice Gompertz, in the Summary Court, this morning. Plaintiff was Cheung Wah-lung, a compadore, of 5, Victoria Buildings, Queen's Road Central. The claim was for \$1,131.90, of which \$681.90 was made up of advances for petty cash, office rent, personal expenses, cables, purchase of desks, deposits for sets, deposits for cargo, and other payments, whilst the balance was for two months' salary in lieu of notice. The old salary of \$131.90 was waived to bring the action within the jurisdiction of the Court.

Mr. Hall intimated that defendants were prepared to consent to judgment, and the case was put into Chambers to settle terms.

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NEWS IN THE ADS.

The annual general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club takes place on Friday afternoon next.

Golfers should note that the Christmas competitions have been posted at the various Clubhouses.

The band of H.M.S. Despatch will play at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, for dancing on Saturday night.

Members of the Society of St. George are reminded that lists of invitations for the Ball must be sent to the Hon. Secretary by Tuesday.

The agency of the Norddeutscher Lloyd has been transferred from the Robert Dollar Company to Messrs. Melchers and Co.

Mr. H. C. Shrubsole has succeeded Mr. W. A. Stephens as Manager for Hongkong and South China of the Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company. Mr. Stephens having been appointed in charge at Shanghai.

The regular monthly meeting of the Hongkong branch of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China takes place on Monday evening.

THE HUMAN ZOO



Here we see Mr. Cudlipp, manager of the Coddington Ring Co., engaged in conversation with artist's model. He is a "tutor" at the studio.

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REPARATIONS COMMISSION.

[United Press Service to the "Telegraph."]

New York, Dec. 13.

The newspapers throughout the East, regardless of politics,
support President Coolidge in connection with his stand as to un-
official representation on the Reparations Commission.

MEXICAN REVOLT EXTENDING.

Nogales, Arizona, Dec. 13.

Unofficial messages confirm the rebel claims that the revolution
is sweeping through the west coast.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 13.

Rebel headquarters claim that the towns of Merida and Pro-
greso in Yucatan have come over to their side.—*Reuter's American
Service.*

DISCUSS EUROPEAN PROBLEMS.

Washington, Dec. 13.

Ambassador Kellogg conferred for several hours with President
Coolidge today on European problems before his departure for
London.

BRITISH POLITICAL SITUATION.

London, Dec. 13.

Premier Baldwin's decision to carry on in the face of the Liberal
and Labour parties with a difficult situation. In view of their
recognised antagonism neither party is likely to do anything to
prevent the Government's defeat on the address, but both dislike
the prospect of in any way collaborating to enable the other to
carry on if summoned to form a government. It is improbable
that Mr. Baldwin will again dissolve, as the party responsible for
another dissolution is certain to be severely punished at the hands
of the electors.

A number of Labourite officials are confident of the ability of
a Labour Government to carry on for at least six months with a
modified domestic and foreign programme which the Liberals
would be bound to support, but such a contingency depends on the
attitude of the Labour "diehards" which is very certain.

The remark of Lord Inchcape in the course of yesterday's
speech, that he did not share the apprehension with which many
regarded Labour's advent to power, has furnished an opportune
text for discussions on the political situation in the newspapers,
which, with few exceptions, base their calculations on the inevi-
tability of a Labour Government within the next few months.

Little present indication of Liberal-Conservative co-operation
is revealed in the Liberal papers which disavow the intention of
offering a finger to save the Conservatives although they regret the
later hostility the Labourites are showing them.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald in an article in the *New Leader* re-
lates the Labour triumph at the polls, declares that class and
section interests in passionate hate of Labour have thrown off even
the appearance of decency, and warns them that if their attempts
to divide the nation on lines of property is successful in keeping
Labour out the eventual result will be a class of Labour
far rougher in mind and temper than that which won the signal vic-
tories last week.

London, Dec. 13.

At a joint meeting of the executive of the Labour Party and the
General Council of the Trade Union Congress in London, a resolu-
tion was approved expressing complete confidence in Mr. Ramsay
Macdonald as the leader of the parliamentary party; also confidence
that if he should be called upon to take high office he would have the
support of the entire Labour movement. A further resolution was
approved to the effect that in view of the extreme gravity of unemploy-
ment, the Government's plans to deal with this gravest of all problems
confronting the nation should be immediately announced.—*Reuter.*

FAR EASTERN COTTON MILLS.

London, Dec. 13.

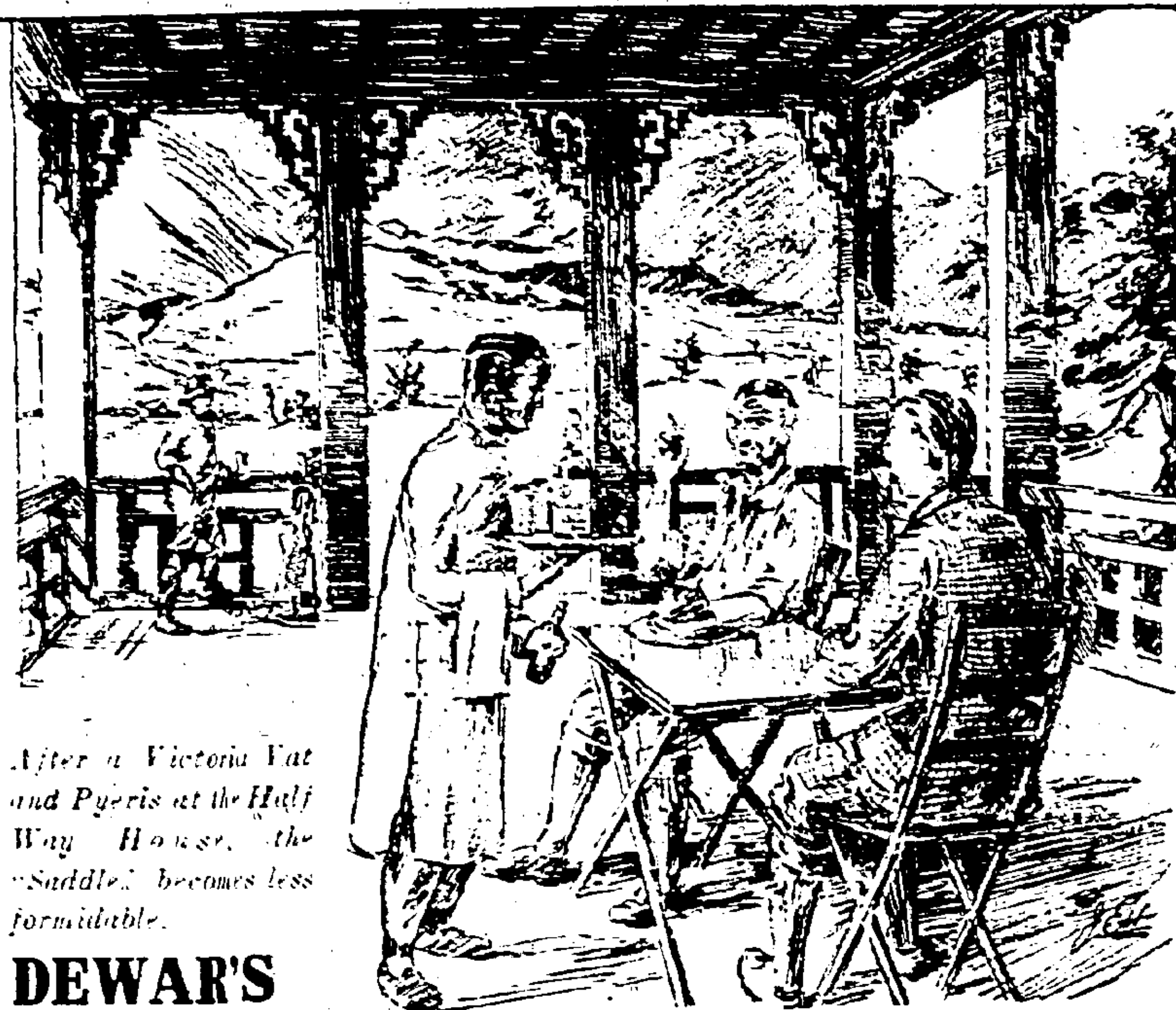
In a lecture at Manchester Mr. E. Bingham, who recently
visited India and the Far East in the interest of makers of textile
machinery, said that the best cotton mills in Bombay were mainly
under European management. Many of these mills had an excel-
lent appearance but were working under conditions which could be
improved in many cases. He added that the majority of the mills
would be condemned by our own factory inspectors if only owing
to temperature and humidity. After noting the adverse working
conditions in India and China it was a real pleasure, he said to
visit the mills of Japan. The workers in Japanese mills were
energetic, cleanly and industrious, and the mills generally excel-
lently arranged and their upkeep good. There was little doubt
that Japan was the only nation in the Far East that had to be
seriously reckoned with in the cotton trade.—*Reuter.*

THE SINGAPORE BASE.

London, Dec. 13.

The *Daily News* interprets the announcement regarding the
Earl of Cavan as a virtual abandonment of the Singapore scheme,
pointing out that a large majority in the new parliament is still
in the scheme. But in official quarters it is stated that the chance
of plans is due to the desirability of the Earl of Cavan remain-
ing in London to act as adviser in the event of a new War Secretary
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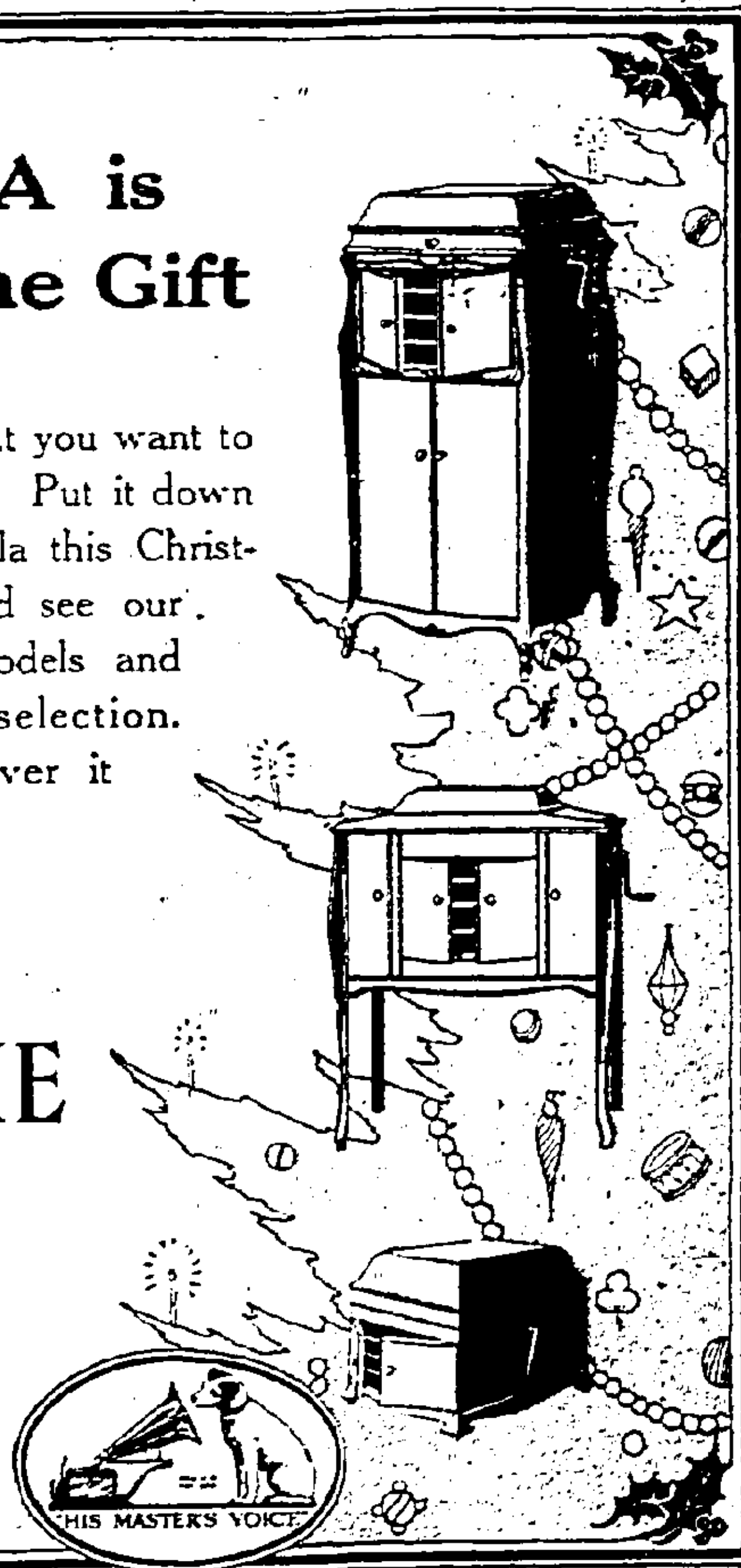
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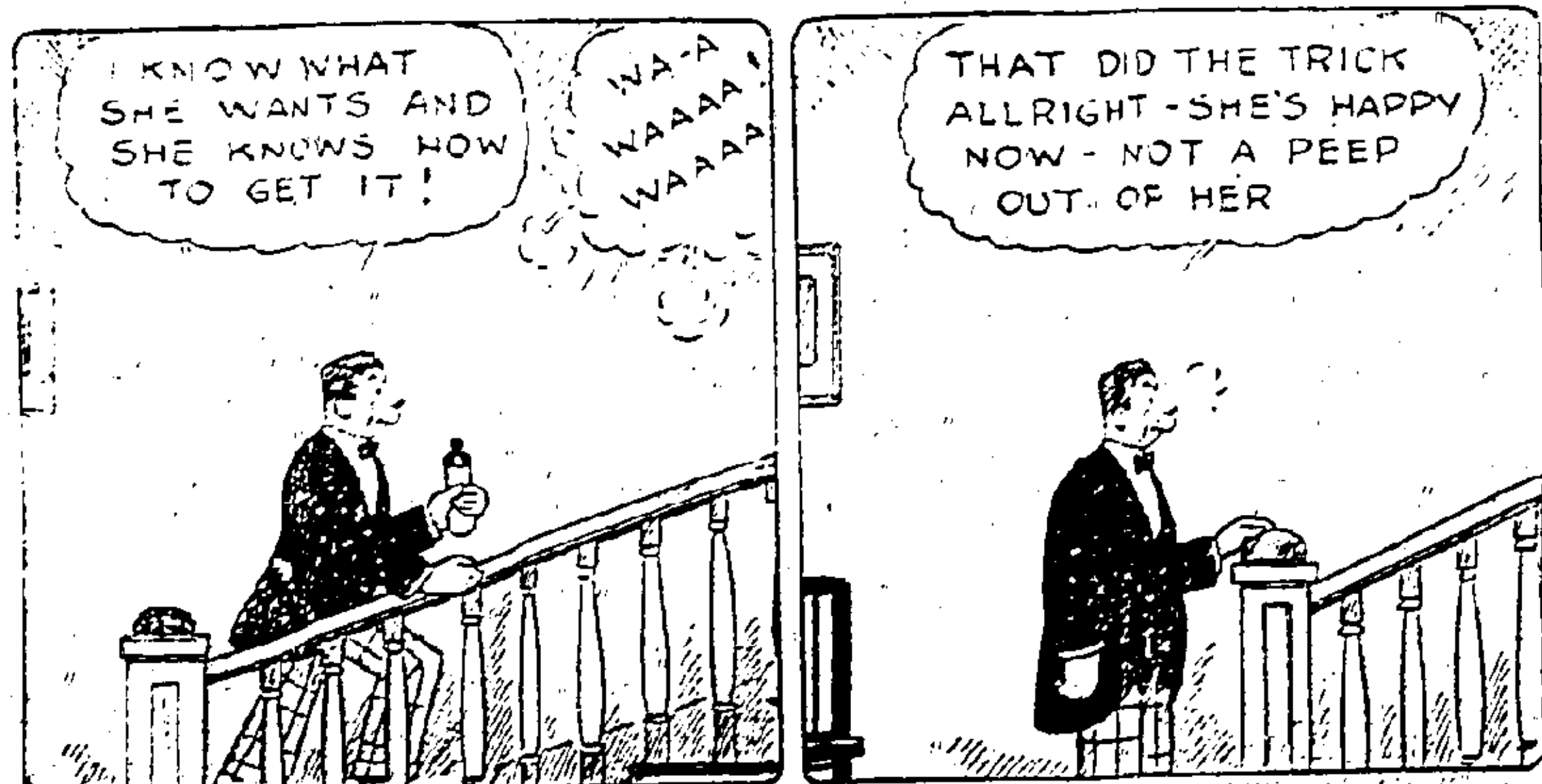
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MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA.

Hongkong Branch.

THE Regular Monthly Meeting will be held at the Guild Office, Sailors' Home, West Point, on Monday 17th, December 1923, at 5 o'clock p.m.
Business—As per Circulars.
W. J. STOKES, Branch Secretary.

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE.

ANNUAL BALL 1924.

MEMBERS are reminded that their lists of invitations should be forwarded to the undersigned by the 15th. Dec. 1923.
H. E. HOLLANDS, Ball Secretary.

NOTICE.

ON and after January 1st, 1924, the Agents of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen, will be transferred to Messrs. Melchers & Co. Queen's Bldg. Hongkong.
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On and after January 1st, 1924, the undersigned will handle the Agency of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen.
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NOTICE.

Mr. W. A. Stephens has been appointed Manager of the Nestle & Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company's business in Shanghai and North China and takes up his new duties from January 1st, next.
Mr. H. C. Shrubsole succeeds Mr. Stephens as Manager for Hongkong and South China. Hongkong, 13th, Dec. 1923.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

COMPETITIONS for the Xmas Holidays 1923, at Fanling, have been posted in the usual Clubhouses.
PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING, Secretaries & Treasurers.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Members of The Royal Hongkong Golf Club, will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd., Hongkong, on Friday the 21st, day of December 1923, at 5.15 p.m.
To Receive from the Committee a Report, Balance Sheet & Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th. Sept. 1923.
To Elect Officers, Members of the Committee, and an Auditor for the ensuing year.
To Decide on any Resolution which may be submitted to the Secretaries and Treasurers four days prior to the Meeting.
Any other Business.
By Order of the Committee, **PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING,** Secretaries & Treasurers. Hongkong, 14th, Dec. 1923.

Nominations for Members of the General Committee should reach the Secretaries and Treasurers not later than 5 p.m. on Monday, the 17th, December 1923.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that from the 26th. of October 1923, by act duly registered in the Tribunal of Commerce of Paris on the 23rd. of November last, the Firm:

Charles MEURER & Cie. (Ch. Meurer, J. F. Ratier) has taken the succession in all engagements & business of the previous firm: Charles Meurer, Chaussade, Tussaud and Cie Canton, the 3rd. of December 1923.

CHARLES MEURER & CIE.

NOTICE.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY BRITISH SECTION.

THE trains leaving Kowloon at 2.32 p.m. and Shum Chun at 6.30 p.m. on Sundays and Public Holidays are hereby cancelled.

H. F. WINSLOW, Manager. Kowloon, 11th, December, 1923.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

GRAND Xmas Sale of Dolls, Toys, also beautiful Artificial Flowers for decoration purposes etc. is now proceeding at "MARGUERITE"—1 Rose Terrace, Kowloon. Inspection invited.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STRUTHERS & BARRY From SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES via PORTS.

Steamship "WEST MAHWAH" having arrived from the above mentioned ports on Friday 14th, December, 1923, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and or extra-hazardous Godown of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, and store at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned or delivery Orders issued. All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godown where it will be examined at 10 a.m. Wednesday, 19th, Dec. 1923, by Messrs. Anderson and Ashe, Marine Surveyors.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be recognised after the goods have left the Godown and cargo undelivered after 20th, December, 1923, will subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading in exchange for Delivery Orders immediately.

STRUTHERS & BARRY, AGENT U.S.S.B. EMERALGENT FLEET CORP. Hongkong, 13th, Dec. 1923.

FORTHCOMING AUCTION SALES.

Lammert Bros. PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **Sat., the 15th. Dec. 1923,** commencing at 11 a.m. at King's Building, Top Floor, **A Quantity of Office Furniture** Terms—Cash on Delivery **LAMMERT BROS.,** Auctioneers.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **Monday, the 17th. Dec. 1923,** commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street **A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture** comprising—

Brass bedstead, Teak double and single bedsteads, Dressing table, Marble top wash-stand, Extension dining table, Teak wardrobes with bevelled mirrors, Bookcases, Hatstands, Dinner wagon, Chesterfield couches, etc., etc.

A Few pieces of Canton, Blackwood ware.

A Selection of Glass Ware. Catalogues will be issued. On View from Saturday, the 15th, December, 1923. Terms—Cash on Delivery **LAMMERT BROS.,** Auctioneers.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **Thursday, the 20th. Dec., 1923,** commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, **A Fine Selection of Toys** comprising—

Dolls, tea-sets, motor cars, footballs, rocking horses, stockings, furniture sets, and various other toys.

X'mas Crackers. On View from Wednesday the 19th, December 1923. Terms—Cash on Delivery. **LAMMERT BROS.,** Auctioneers.

HUGHES & HOUGH AUCTIONEERS AND GENERAL BROKERS.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for Account of the Concerned) on **TUESDAY,** the 18th, December, 1923, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, **Valuable Teakwood and Blackwood Furniture and Household Sundries, &c., &c.** comprising:

Dining Suites, Chesterfield Sofas, Arm-chairs (new), Tea Tables, Teakwood Beds, large and small, Wardrobes, Dressing Tables and Chairs, Washstands, etc., Sideboards, Dinner Waggon, Crockery and Glass Ware, Carpets and Rugs, Electro-plated Ware, Electric Reading Lamps, Teakwood Screens, Blackwood Teapots, Marble-top Flower Stands, Side Tables and Cabinets, etc., etc.

Also One Grand Piano, 200 yds. Damask Table Cloth (new), Two Sextants, One Piano Player, One Steak Piano, One Piano by Robinson Piano Co. (Full Particulars from Catalogue). Terms—Cash on delivery.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 12th, Dec., 1923.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (for Account of the Concerned) on **SATURDAY,** the 15th, December, 1923, at 11.00 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, **A Quantity of Valuable Jewellery.** comprising:

Diamond Bar Pins, Earrings, Rings, Pendants, Bracelets, Gold Watches, Chains, Ladies' Handbags, Brooches, Manicure Sets, etc., etc.

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G. R. NOTICE.

Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 17th day of December, 1923, at 3 p.m. at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at above Bowen Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Boundary Measurements.	Containing in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Approximate Area in Acres.	Approximate Area in Perches.
S. S. E. W.			
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As per plan filed.			
Initial Lot No. 2431.			
Alienation from the Crown.			

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Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 17th day of Dec., 1923, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Mount Cameron in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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Lammert Bros. PUBLIC AUCTION.

Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS have received instructions from the Liquidators of the Hongkong Hide & Leather Co. Ltd. (in Liquidation) to sell by **PUBLIC AUCTION** on **FRIDAY,** The 21st. day of December, 1923, at 3 o'clock p.m. at their Auction Rooms in Duddell Street, **The Property, Machinery and Plant, and Tanning Chemicals of the above concern** (to be sold in 3 Lots subject to a Reserve.)

Lot 1.—THE EXTENSIVE WELL BUILT, COMMODIOUS AND MODERN PREMISES situate at Ma Tau Kok, Kowloon, on K. 1. Lots Nos. 1267 and 640 which contain **An Area of 110,902 Sq. Ft.** held under Crown Leases for 75 years from the 18th, Dec. 1911 with an option as to Lot No. 1267 of a further 75 years subject to a Crown rent of \$506 per annum. The Premises are within the offensive trade area as defined by the Sanitary Authorities and a license has been granted by the Government to carry on the business of a tannery in all respects thereon. The property is situated on the main road between Hek Un and Kowloon City and is in **Close Proximity to the Sea-front.**

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Lot 3.—Tanning Chemicals The Tanning Machinery and Plant will be put up first as one lot. If the reserve price be not reached the Plant and Machinery will be put up in several lots. For further particulars including conditions of sale, schedule of Machinery and Plant and Chemicals, apply to the Vendor's Solicitors, Messrs. WILKINSON & GRIST, Hongkong.

To The Auctioneers, 3, Duddell Street, Hongkong.

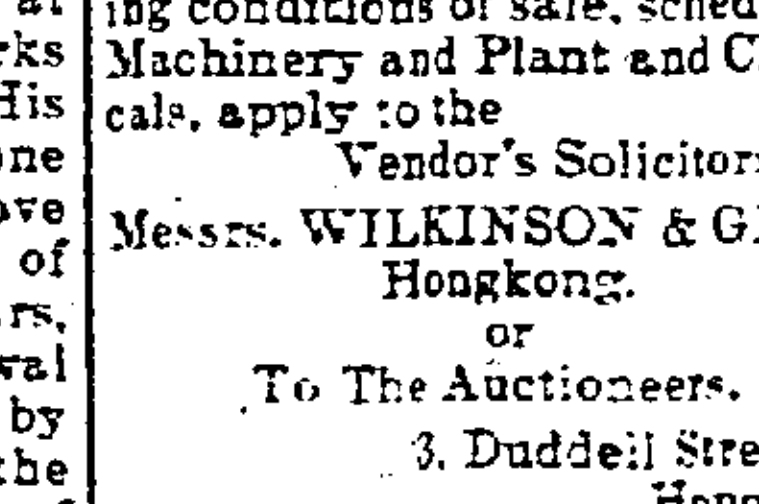
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OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

I, G. W. Barton, of Douglas Managers, The Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., hereby give notice that in consequence of change of ownership I have applied to the Board of Trade, under section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship "REPOSE" gross tonnage about 2300 tons, register tonnage about 1005, heretofore owned by U. S. Navy for the purpose to change her name to "HAINING" and to have her registered in the new name at the port of HONGKONG as owned by The Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

G. W. BARTON.
Hongkong, 8th. Dec. 1923.

THE INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK, LTD.

NOTICE OF ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Seventh Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, York Building, Hongkong, on Saturday, December 15th, 1923, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of passing the Reports of the Board and of the Auditors, the Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Account, to elect Directors and Auditors, and to declare Dividends.

That the Transfer Book in respect of Shares will be closed from December 2nd, to December 15th, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
TIENMU K. LIN,
General Secretary.
Hongkong, Nov. 15th 1923.

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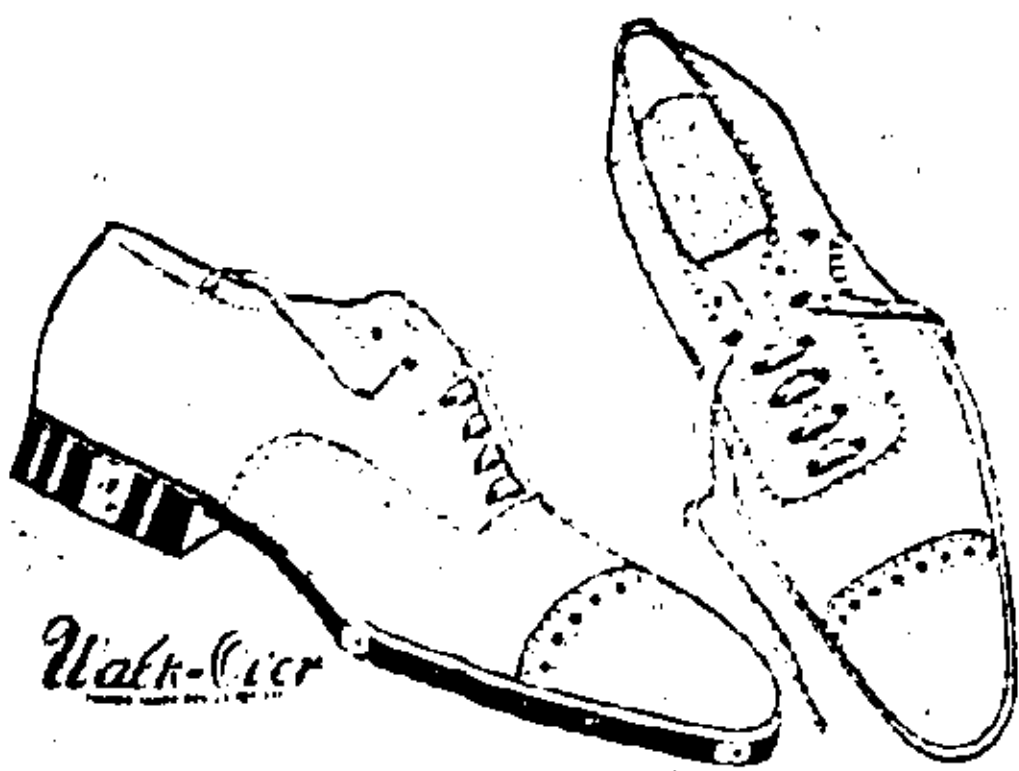
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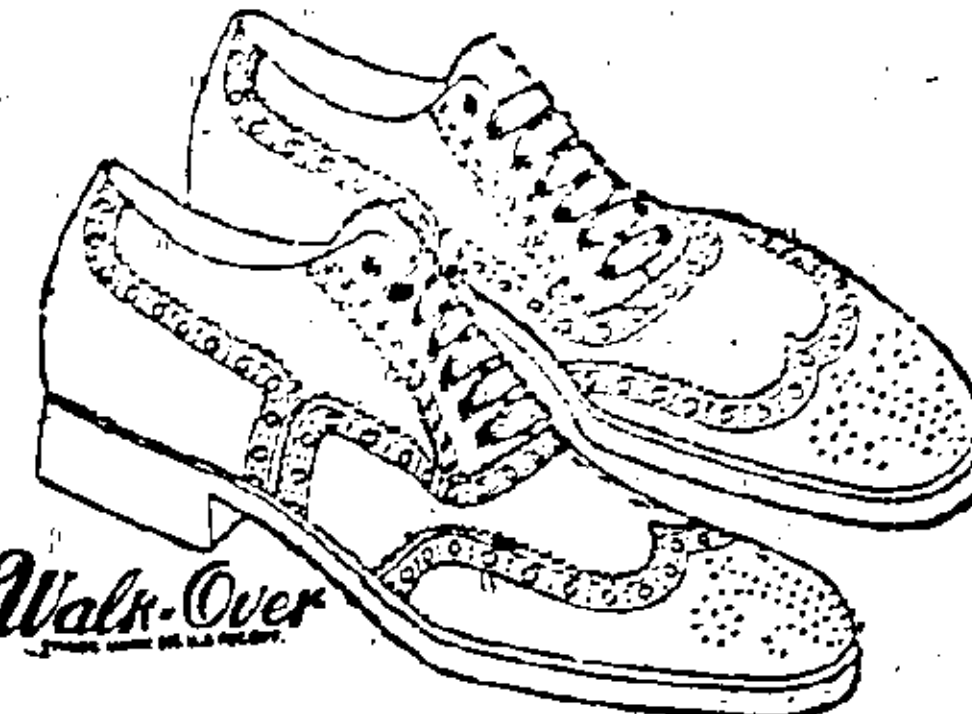
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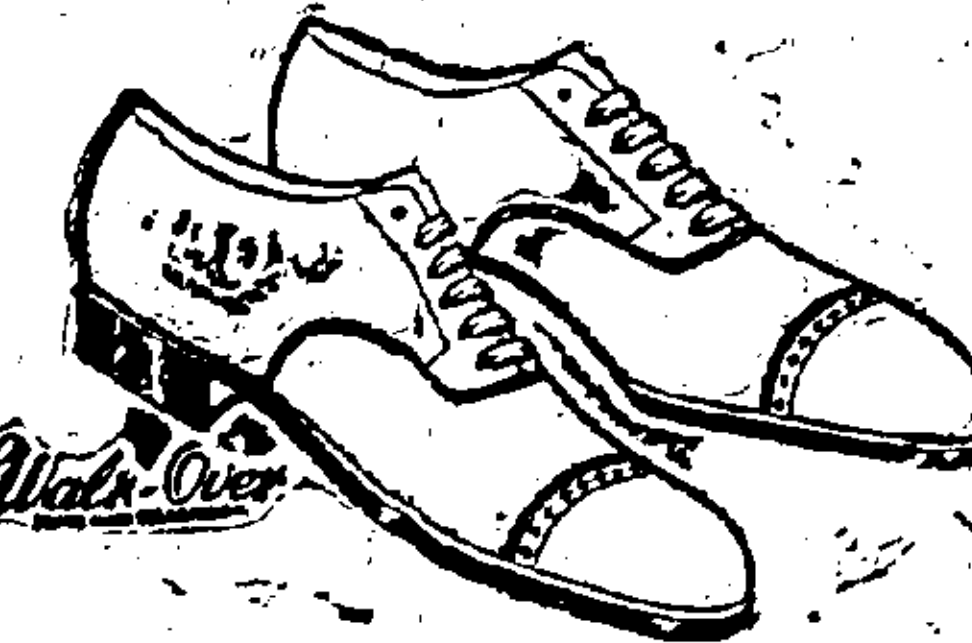
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DEATH.

MADAR. On December 14th, 1923 at No. 41, Wong Nei Chong Road, Omar Abdool Madar, aged 52, of Cecil Holliday & Co. Shanghai.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 14th Dec., 1923.

WILL LABOUR RULE?

Although Mr. Baldwin still remains Prime Minister and is to meet Parliament in that capacity when it reassembles next month, there is still talk of the possibility of a Labour Government. Indeed, the Labour Party's Executive has decided that if it is called upon to do so, the Parliamentary Party will be prepared to exercise full governmental responsibility. At the same time, the Labourites say they will not compromise with any form of coalition. Mr. Asquith, incidentally, also expresses himself against the idea of joining hands with any other party. Short of another General Election, therefore—which would surely serve no useful purpose—it looks as if one distinctive party will take on the task of governing the country and the Empire. A Coalition appears most improbable.

The Conservatives are in the unhappy position of having most members of any of the three parties but yet not a sufficiency to face a possible combination of the other two. Such a situation, of course, has existed before in British politics, and it provides no reason why Mr. Baldwin should not attempt to carry on. On an adverse vote, he might find himself in a minority of some seventy or eighty, but that possibility would always be kept in mind in framing measures. No party, once having assumed the task of government, would be so foolish as to risk its life on obviously contentious legislation. How does Labour stand in relation to the other parties? It is second in numerical strength, but, even so, is still some fifty seats short of the Conservatives' roll. Faced with opposition by both Conservatives and Liberals, it would find itself some two hundred votes on the wrong side. The point is, of course, whether either the Conservatives or Labour could, if in power, so frame their policies as to secure the support of the Liberals. The Conservatives might, with comparative ease. And Labour, if its policy were

merely progressive without being revolutionary, might also find the Liberals voting with them. But the question is whether mild Labour measures would satisfy the extremists in the party. We doubt it. Incidentally, however, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's indication of foreign policy, contained in his statement that Britain must not be victimised in the interests of other States, is such as would secure a large measure of support both from Liberals and Conservatives.

The situation at the moment is intensely engrossing. Labour is certainly nearer the assumption of Government powers than ever it was before. Its time may not be quite yet; but that it will eventually control the Empire's destinies, maybe for only a brief while, appears fairly sure.

Shipping Receipts.

There is no doubt whatever that the slump in industry has hit British shippers very severely. There is little business for shipbuilders, for the simple reason that there are more vessels than full cargoes to carry. This phase of trade depression is reflected in the speech made by Lord Inchcape at the P. & O. annual meeting two days ago. He stated plainly that the earnings of the company's steamers are now, with a few exceptions, below the disbursements. In consequence, the wages of the crews are being reduced. It is not for the man-in-the-street to question the statements of responsible business men, so he must accept the above information. This apparent "profit" we note, led a contemporary to suggest that passage fares might be still further reduced, but it would seem that travellers will be lucky if the charges be not raised in the near future. Lord Inchcape appears to have decided to reduce the wages of his employees rather than increase passage rates. While we all hope for a time when the prospects of the shipping industry will improve, we should realise that the days of comparatively cheap voyages are gone forever.

The Drug Traffic.

The sentencing of a Japanese in London to penal servitude for trafficking in drugs, but shows the new attitude which responsible Governments are adopting in dealing with such matters. The fact that the accused man was "the largest trafficker in drugs ever brought to justice" seems very much like an admission that he had been at the lucrative game for a considerable time, and suggests that others might be still carrying on the business on nearly as big a scale. This case has led to further arrests in Germany; and perhaps Switzerland, where the manufacture of drugs for illegitimate purposes is in a notoriously flourishing condition, will follow up its recent discussion of the matter by strong action. Most of the work against the "dope" traffic is being performed by the League of Nations, and it is almost ludicrous to have the League holding its meetings perhaps within a stone's throw of some big cocaine or morphine factory. It is only by the honest co-operation of all the Governments concerned, both in Europe and in Asia, that the drug evil can be combated successfully, and we are optimistic enough to fancy that we can discern a better understanding among the nations of this need for mutual effort.

THE CORONET.

"TROUBLE" ON VIEW.

Jackie Coogan's adventures as the scapegrace of the orphanage, and afterwards as an embryo plumber, make up a highly attractive picture at the Coronet.

Jackie goes a step farther in his dramatic career in this film, and gives a little finished acting in the final scene. Trouble will no doubt appeal to grown-ups as much as, if not more than, to the youngsters.

Buster Keaton, as the skipper of the eccentric vessel "Dampier," brings the bill to a humorous close. Buster is as wooden-faced and as funny as ever, and "The Boat" is the most astonishing thing of its kind yet seen here.

DAY BY DAY.

A YOUNG BOY WOULD RATHER LEARN TWENTY RULES THAN APPLY ONE PRINCIPLE.—*Dawn Tinge.*

Mr. G. H. Potts arrived here by the s.s. President Jefferson.

Seven further cases of smallpox (all Chinese) were notified yesterday.

The Volunteers' annual camp is to take place on two week-ends between 11th and 24th January at Lowu.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have received a cable from Singapore stating that Pajam, Ltd., has declared a final dividend of 5%.

A Swatow report states that a large batch of troops in support of General Chan King-ming has been ordered to the East River front.

Sergeant A. M. Thornhill has been promoted Company Sergeant Major, to be temporarily in Command of the Reserve Company of the Volunteers.

Viscountess Jellicoe and the Hon. Lucy Jellicoe leave Hongkong for Manila in the President Jefferson to-morrow. After a short stay in Manila, they intend to return to New Zealand in the Tango Maru.

From Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co. we have received a striking office calendar bearing a view of two fine boats of the P. and O. and British India Companies lying off Gibraltar. A diary and almanac issued by the same firms has also been received, this containing much information regarding shipping and trade matters.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will contain four photographs taken at the M. C. L. Fete at Government House; a scene from the A.D.C.'s production of "R.L.R."; a group taken at the wedding of Mr. F. C. Todd and Miss Isabel Baker; a picture of the Hongkong Male Voice Choir; and a group of the Taikoo Dock and Empress of Australia football teams.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Stubbs entertained the following to dinner at Government House, last night, to meet Lady Jellicoe—H. E. Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson, H. E. Major General Sir John Fowler, Hon. Sir Claude and Lady Severn, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, Hon. Mr. Stephen, Mr. Fox, Commander May, Major and Mrs. Young, Flag Lieut. Peachey R.N., Lieut. Horton R.N., and Lieut. Hall. A.D.C.

Sir Hugh Cunliffe Owen, Bart., Chairman of the British American Tobacco Co., Ltd., and Lady Cunliffe Owen, accompanied by Mr. J. D. Gilliam and Mr. K. Stanley Smith, Directors of the Company, who arrived from London by the Blue Funnel steamer Patroclus, visited Canton on the 12th inst. and left on Wednesday by the same steamer for Shanghai. Mr. William Morris and the Earl of Gosford, Directors of the British American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd., who arrived on Sunday last, also left by the same steamer.

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DOCTOR WHO ATTENDED

R. L. S.
Dr. Thomas Bodley Scott, new Mayor of Bournemouth, is a retired medical man who regularly attended Robert Louis Stevenson when the famous novelist lived at Skerryvore.

CRICKET NOTES

BY THE ARMCHAIR CRITIC



To the Chinese R.C. on Saturday, but didn't get much fun out of the home side. They never looked like getting runs and the succession of batsmen's totals on the score sheet—5, 6, 6, 5, 1, 5, 6, the score sheet—5, 6, 6, 5, 1, 5, 6, might make many a devotee of Fanling envious. I have no "hate" against the C.R.C. and the I.R.C. but I do wish they would put a little ginger into their batting. They both ought to be factors to be reckoned with in the Colony's cricket, but owing to their passive resistance tactics, they have degenerated into lethargic blocks of humanity. Saturday must be a misery to them, with the exception, perhaps, of the period they spend fielding. They do seem to enjoy this and put quite a lot of "pep" into it.

However, I had a two-fold mission in my journey to the C.R.C. and if disappointed in the first, my joy in the second quite outweighed other considerations, and life once more was pure content. The reason? Simply trousers—but such trousers!



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And Tam himself, beaming on the batsman, the bowlers; the butterfingers and the stick-diggers; the umpires and the scorers—in short, the whole universe embraced in that all-enveloping beam.

"Little Sunshine."

I have watched him batting at the nets, and although his centre of gravity is continually shifting forward and his moment of inertia is yearly becoming greater, he can still get his left foot across and meet them with the meaty part of the bat. It is safe to predict that for many years to come—measles and gout permitting—he will be a thorn in the side of the local upstarts, and a tower of strength in any Hongkong eleven.

I was further rewarded by the sight of Col. Robertson turning out again for a merry knock. His batting was distinctly of the touch-and-go order. The "touch" was there, but mainly owing to the fact

that the fielders weren't, the "go" was missing until he had made 29, when he retired. Not classic cricket, but good hard hitting, which is worth a lot in these stodgy times.

The C.R.C. fielding was quite good. Claxton was dismissed as the result of a fine catch by Lee. I am informed that when this occurred the C.R.C. Captain exclaimed "My God!" and promptly collapsed. This version may be exaggerated—I simply pass it on to you for what it is worth.

Called in at the Civil Service on the way back, and watched them putting it across the Navy. Now that R. E. O. Bird and E. B. Reed are back, and B. D. Evans has joined them, the Civil Service have a very powerful side and may finish the season at the top of this rotten League. Anyway, such a sound judge as "L.J." has, to my certain knowledge (and possibly to my cost) ventured Mex: 5 on them. It should be a great match when they meet the Club. Apropos of the returned bowlers, I wonder what "Lobster" had in that barrel?

Saw a wonderful bowler and the tail end of D. Rumjahn's 50 on the Club ground. Quite a hearty knock in it's way, and very valuable under the circumstances. I cannot help thinking, however, that the last three



"A WONDERFUL BOWLER"

men on the Club 2nd XI side might have refrained from batting, and given themselves a better chance of forcing a conclusion to the match. It is very improbable that the Indians would have got 160 odd in the time at their disposal, and the extra few minutes would have made all the difference. But I suppose we shall get this sort of thing as long as the League endures and "caution" is the watchword. And as soon as you introduce caution, sporting cricket goes to the winds.

A very interesting match will take place at the New Year, between the last Interport team and the Rest. The Interport people will be without L. J. Davies, F. N. Young, and the stout-hearted "Jimmy" Wild. Hollands and Bal-hatchet are therefore coming into the team. There has been quite a lot of heated discussion over the disposal of Claxton's body, but I understand that he will take Davies' place as wicket-keeper. To even things up and placate the Rest, he should bat in the place to which his predecessor was accustomed—No. 10. I know that his ability as a batsman entitles him to a much higher place, but this arrangement strikes me as being quite fair.

HOCKEY.

THE CLUB DEFEATED.

On Wednesday, the Club met the H.K.S. R.G.A. on the U.S.R.C. ground. They had a measure of bad luck, for the absence of a player during much of the first half played no small part in their being three goals down at half-time. With a full side they pressed vigorously and had the better of the rest of the game but could not manage to score. Another goal scored by the R.G.A. gave the result—H.K.S. R.G.A. 4; Club 0.

The Club now has some forty members, and an effort is being made to arrange a few fixtures for a second team. It is hoped that

CRICKET.

The following will represent the I.R.C. 2nd XI in their League match against the University 2nd XI on the former's ground on Saturday at 2.15 p.m.—D. Rumjahn (Capt), Sirdar Khan, E. A. Moosdeen, A. H. M. Samy, M. P. Madar, O. Rumjahn, F. D. Rumjahn, Y. A. Wahab, S. A. Hamid, E. Moosdeen and A. K. Minu.

There may be a match between the Club and a team from the University on Wednesday next, the 19th inst., in addition to the match already arranged for the same date with the Navy, which should result in a very keen game.

THE BOOKSHELF.

A REVIEW OF ROOSEVELT'S LIFE.

Lord Charnwood is the sympathetic author of "Theodore Roosevelt," which Constable publish at 7s. The study is a finely-executed one. There has always been a sub-current of depreciation for Roosevelt among intellectual Englishmen, due largely to his vociferation. He had, as the present author says, "a great facility when he chose for doing things in a way that made a stir." But under the conditions of democracy there are many things that without a stir cannot be done at all, and in America more so perhaps than in European countries. But if the result proved that his forceful ways had the effect throughout his life of evoking and encouraging moral heroism among his associates in difficult enterprises, it would be hard to say that the sacrifice of a more classical sedateness was not atoned for. The curious thing is that in his earliest political days he was taunted with the reverse quality and labelled "The exquisite Mr. Roosevelt."

He seems to have overcome this as deliberately as in earlier days still he had subdued his physical stiffness. He was never above mastering the technical weapons by which his ideals in public life were to be attained. In this he was sharply distinguished from the impractical stamp of reformers who preferred to keep themselves unspotted from the world rather than wrestle with its rather murky actualities.

Lord Charnwood examines some episodes in detail, notably the Alaska arbitration, in which the International Commission sat with the menace of the Presidential "big stick" overhanging it. The ethics of this transaction were undeniably circuitous, but Lord Charnwood, who approached its study "with feelings of intense indignation against Roosevelt," has reached "the absolute conviction that he did both a very able and a most right and friendly thing" in his private ultimatum to the British Government. That, of course, could only be endorsed by those who hold that the Canadian side of the boundary dispute was quite without moral foundation.

The last chapter of his career is in many ways the most illuminating, for it was devoted to proclaiming the truth as he saw it, with the full realization that it could bring him no political recovery: "the people as a whole are heartily tired of me and my views." Having restrained himself so long as they appeared any prospect of President Wilson's endorsing a self policy, he then applied himself to advocating the cause of the Allies with an assiduity as great as either youthful zeal or ambition had ever inspired in him.

BIOGRAPHY OF W. S. GILBERT.
A wide reading-public will welcome "W. S. Gilbert: His Life and Letters," by Sidney Dark and Rowland Grey (Methuen 15s.). It is evident that the Great Victorian humorist may have had a paternal favour for his serious plays, which the admirers of his opera librettos could not share, but in his correspondence with Sullivan he is found amenable to all the requisites of collaboration, always ready to adapt his own work and to appreciate the difficulties of his colleague. "If the verses won't do, send them back and I'll try again." That is a typical sentence, the substance of which recurs like a refrain. He appreciated both his composer and his company. He wrote to the former, on the morning after "The Gondoliers" had been produced, "I must again thank you for the magnificent work you have put into the piece. It gives one the chance of shining right through the twentieth century with a reflected light." And, suggesting a new feature: "Wyatt and Barrington are both such excellent dancers that it seems a pity to miss so good a chance of utilising them." Artists with such a sense of relativity are not too common.

As he put it himself, he "brought up a family of sixty-three plays," apart from the "Bab Ballads," of which the present authors have rescued from the files of "Fam" some examples hitherto re-published. The operas frequently elaborated a theme which had been already outlined in "Ballad" form. "Patience" was based in this way on a composition called "The Rival Curates," and the characters were not re-dressed until the piece was well advanced. "Although it is about two-thirds finished, I don't feel comfortable about it. I

mistrust the clerical element. I feel hampered by the restrictions which the nature of the subject places upon my freedom of action." Gilbert's taste, indeed, seldom misled him, save in the familiar gibe at faded or charmless womanhood, which insisted on so frequent a vent in the operas and appears to have been equally inveterate elsewhere.

"I prefer a woman to be as long as she is broad," he would say, and even of a motor accident, he wrote: "Happily, the lady who was run over was not much hurt. She good-humouredly explained it was 'only her legs.' She seemed, from her way of speaking, to have but a poor opinion of those limbs, and Nancy (who saw them) said they were not up to much."

The Frëndians would have to be called in to account for this curious "complex" in one who was in so many ways the soul of generosity, who as a magistrate was the unbridled foe of cruelty, and whose correspondence shows him the tender and thoughtful friend of many individual women. The book is sprinkled with his crispness of voice and pen. When the Savoy was sold he felt "sad to think of the old show being handed over to the Philistines," and he had no tolerance for the rowdy conventions of "the gods." "If I were a manager, I would close the gallery on first nights."

POLITICS IN A NOVEL.
The familiar name of H.A. Gwynne appears as author of "The Will and the Bill" (Fisher Unwin, 7s.). As a Home reviewer says, the political novel is rare enough with us for it to be judged rather as a caprice or as an excursion and alarm. Mr. H.A. Gwynne's little fantasy is indeed hardly to be called a novel at all. It is a mischievously told story in which political morals and political types are treated with obvious enjoyment. The story is too light to sting much. We chuckle instead of being indignant, and the deliverance of the Prime Minister and those of his colleagues who, like him, had promised to support Dyson's Bill, by the sudden intervention of Mrs. Stanton is comic rather than satiric.

There are three brothers Stanton, the Professor, the General, and the Admiral, all rich and all genuinely patriotic. Edward, the Professor, by his studies in psychology has developed a will-power that he has proved on his servants and his wife—so much so that Mrs. Stanton indignantly leaves him. When Dyson, the honest man who has given up politics because they are too shady a game, drafts a Bill that penalises any M.P. who tells a lie to his constituents or in the House, it is the Professor who declares that he can make the Bill something more than a joke. He uses his power on Lord William Lysscht, whom, by mere "willing" he induces to resign. Then (the plan of campaign being arranged by the conspirators, Dyson and the Stanton brothers) the Prime Minister, the Lord Chancellor and other Ministers of the Crown are made to promise in writing to support the Bill. They are horrified later to remember what they have done, but even the ingenuity of the Prime Minister's secretary seems baffled by the awful situation. They have all been brought up in the old school of speeches that can be interpreted either way. They all know that half the answers to questions in the House are inaccurate if not deliberately deceitful; and if such a Bill becomes law they are ruined.

Their deliverance comes by means of Mr. Gibson Percival, the secretary aforesaid, and Mrs. Stanton, who said her husband on an earlier occasion "was a natural will subduer," while the Professor was "the scientific, synthetic article." The reward given to Mr. Percival by the grateful P. M. was well earned. But we hear of no reward for Mrs. Stanton—an occasion for feminist outcry, if ever there was one.

It is all very gaily managed, and the story is never "let down." There are comments and incidents that have the pungency of something pretty near actuality; but the manner of it is always more mischievous than unkind.

POEMS AS PAINTS.
There is a quaint mixture in "A Box of Paints," by Geoffrey Scott, which the Bookman's Journal publishes at 8s. Mr. Scott writes simply; but his thought is sophisticated, his images simple with that carefully arranged simplicity which also marks the charming illustrations by Mr. Albert Rutherford. He reminds the reader sometimes of Blake.

I locked the gold sun with a key
That lasting joy might dwell
with me;
The sun did scorch my hands
and feet.
But to my heart refused his heat;
So the Swift flame with captive rage
Consumed me in his glowing cage.

He has, however, a very distinctive voice of his own. He makes poems like gay coloured figures in paper, little marionettes of poems which move with a stiff and conventional grace. The feeling in them is also rather conventionalised, but it is not facile nor insincere. One of his best poems reminds us of Beddoes in its concise quaintness:

A woodman's faggot put ablaze—
A cage all gold and windy praise,
A twisted pack that glows entire
And palace built of sound and fire—
A strength, a rage, a pride, a cost:
So love is that; and that is lost.
A star-deep water folded bare,
An aspen thin in golden air,
A sign, a memory, a bird flown,
A wild bird's clawprick in the moon,
The woodman's dream of fallen snow,
And the wind fallen: love is so.

There is imagination as well as fancy in that, and in other poems Mr. Scott displays a real gift for rich, compact description, which is refreshing enough to place his work outside the plane of mediocrity.

MACAO'S FUTURE.

Plans to Restore Commercial Enterprise.

Nothing is of more interest to the Portuguese in China than the revival of the port of Macao, writes M. Rodney Gilbert in the North China Daily News. This ancient and picturesque settlement went into a decline with the decline of sailing ships, the opening of interior ports in Kuangtung and the inevitable rise of Hongkong. Macao's two most obvious weaknesses are that the harbour is full of silt and will accommodate nothing bigger than river steamers and that the port has no direct line of land communication with the immediate interior. For these two very good reasons this historical Portuguese settlement has for many years kept up running expenses through local taxes upon opium, gambling and similar enterprises which have earned a community that deserved better a bad name.

In recent years the Portuguese authorities have taken this situation seriously. The present Governor of Macao and the Portuguese Minister in Peking, His Excellency J. B. De Freitas, have worked indefatigably to have their Home Government recognize the importance of re-establishing Macao as a *bona fide* commercial community. Macao has a rich hinterland and, with a very short line of railway, might easily be as important a port as Swatow if the harbour were prepared to receive ships which could take out accumulated local produce and bring in supplies for the adjacent country.

MR. DE FREITAS' MISSION.

Mr. De Freitas, who has acted with singular distinction as Dean of the Diplomatic Body for many months past, was to leave Peking for Lisbon, on December 11, ostensibly on leave but principally to bring before his Government his plans for the rehabilitation of Macao. Through his efforts, strongly seconded by those of the present Governor of Portugal's delightful little Chinese colony, it has already been possible to start harbour dredging, upon which a Netherlands firm is now employed. Once Macao is available to deep sea ships nothing will be required to convert a sleepy pleasure resort into a living port but adequate connection with the interior. Under present political conditions it is obviously impossible to discuss railway enterprise in Kuangtung, but when the inevitable adjustment comes, it is hoped that some arrangement with the Chinese will be possible through which a line will be built from Macao to Hsiangshan (Heungshan) and thence to Kongmoon, connecting Macao with one of the richest interior agricultural districts in

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MUSIC AND SPORT.

What One Might Get.

Sometimes it is difficult to distinguish between a desire for original expression and the "little knowledge" which is often a dangerous thing to display. Thus a musical critic in a Home newspaper recently referred to a pianist's "stance" on the platform and it is not surprising to find a writer in that bright periodical *London Opinion* seizing the opportunity to perpetrate the following merciless skit:

I trust that such a use of sporting parlance will not develop into this sort of thing: "A good crowd assembled at the Queen's Hall yesterday afternoon to witness Senior Thumpski play a 20-round contest with Chopin. Opening from the Gasworks end, Thumpski drove off with an arpeggio stroke at the rate of 26 to the minute, and piled up forte or 50 points with a succession of dazzling upper cuts to the crescendo. After being badly bunkered in a B Flat Scherzo, he nose-dived into the bass leitmotif, leaving one up and two to play. He then shook back his hair and the hand of the official who was turning over the music. Obviously winded, he swung a savage right to the rails, banging his hand on the woodwork. At this period his footwork was noticeably good, and he frequently drew rounds of cheering by untying his feet at the pedals. Warming to the attack, he banged a barcarolle to the boundary in exquisite style, finishing up with a dazzling zig-zag run along the touchline, which brought him fairly between the up-rights of the treble clef."—Ex.

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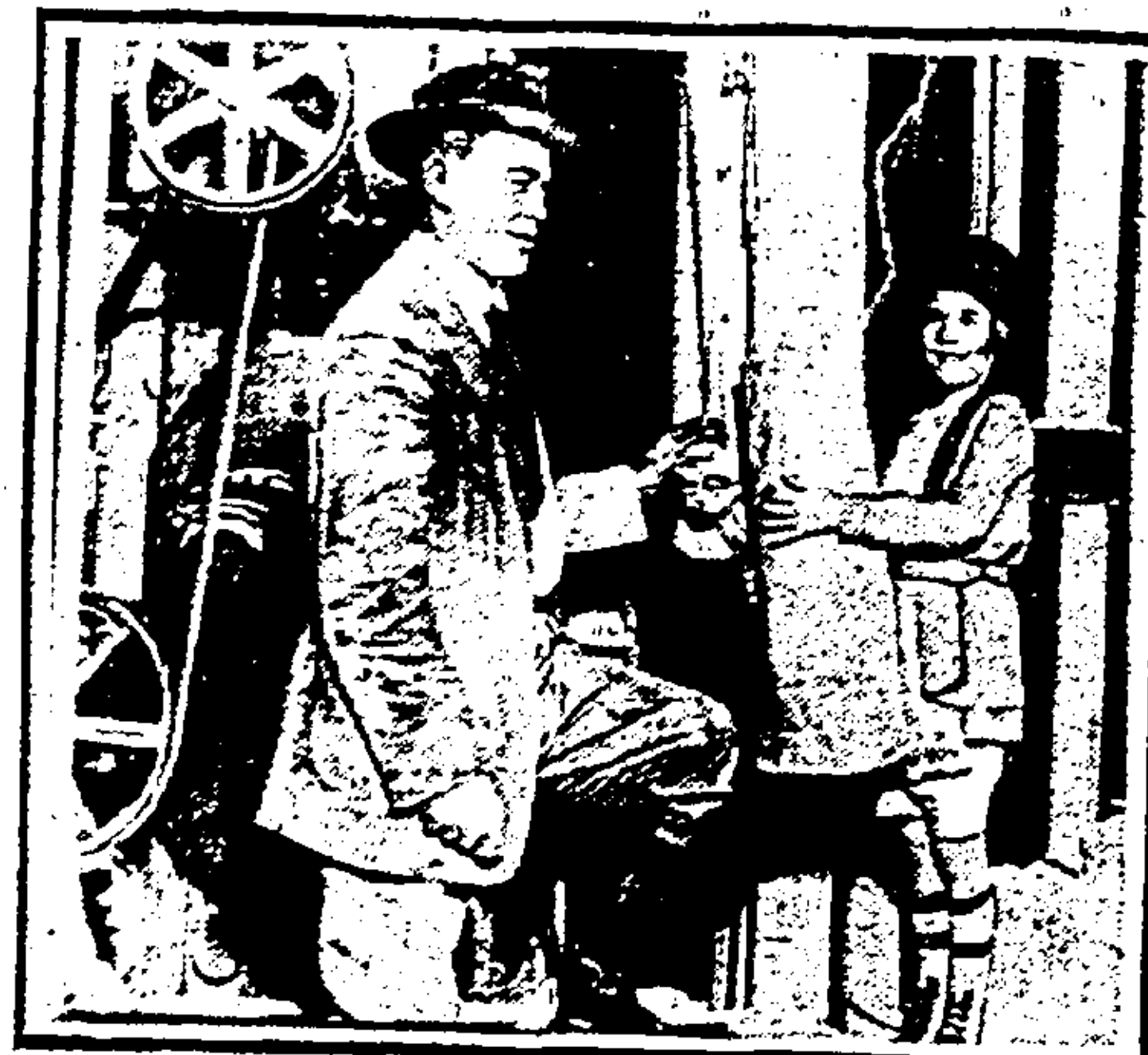
Mayor John Hylan of New York City, after a long illness, once more is able to "be up and about."



The young miss is Princess Heana, youngest daughter of King Ferdinand and Queen Marie of Rumania.



Mrs. Calvin Coolidge (left) was the first guest of the Secretary of Agriculture and his wife, shown with her, at the department's chrysanthemum show in the capital.



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GLENBEG	14th Jan.	GLENARDA	14th Jan.
GLENINDA	18th Jan.	GLENARRI	18th Jan.

Movements are subject to change without notice.

For freight or further particulars, please apply to:-

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.**THE GLEN LINE, LTD.**

Telephone Central No. 215, sub-ex. 23 and 2655.

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SERVICES CONTRACTUELS

Mail Steamers	Next Sailings from Marseilles	Pro. arr. at Hong-kong	Pro. Sailing from Hong-kong
CHAMBORD	16th Nov.	20th Dec.	24th Dec.
PAUL LECAT	16th Nov.	20th Dec.	24th Dec.
ANDRE LEBON	16th Nov.	20th Dec.	24th Dec.
AMBOISE	16th Nov.	20th Dec.	24th Dec.
CORDILLERE	16th Dec.	17th Jan.	18th Feb.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY TO MARSEILLES.

(Including Table Wine and free Doctor's attendance)
A Class 1st Class 295.00 B. Class 1st Class 289.00
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KAGA MARU ... Tuesday, 8th Jan. at 11 a.m.

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, etc.

ATSUBA MARU ... Wednesday, 19th Dec.

KASHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 2nd Jan.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.

TANGO MARU ... Friday, 21st Dec.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

MAYBASHI MARU ... Second half of Dec.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.

KAWACHI MARU (Calling Delagoa Bay) Monday, 31st Dec.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

PENANG MARU ... Monday, 17th Dec.

YOMI MARU ... Sunday, 23rd Dec.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

MORIOKA MARU ... Sunday, 16th Dec.

CEYLON MARU ... Saturday, 22nd Dec.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

YOSHINO MARU ... Thursday, 13th Dec.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

MURORAN MARU (Klung, Moji & Kobe) Thursday, 13th Dec.

MOJI MARU (Moji & Kobe) ... Monday, 17th Dec.

SUWA MARU ... Tuesday, 18th Dec.

For further information apply to:-

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Tel. Central Nos. 292, 293 & 2422. Y. YAMAMOTO, Manager.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.**NEW YORK BERTH.**

FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK via SUEZ.

S.S. "KENDAL CASTLE" ... Sailing on or about 25th Jan.

LLOYD TRIESTINO.

Taking Cargo for Genoa, Naples, Venice, Trieste and all other Italian Ports also cargo on through Bills of Lading for Levant, Black Sea and Danube Ports.

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FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.

S.S. "PERSIA" ... Sailing on or about 3rd Jan.
S.S. "ANNA" ... Sailing on or about 6th Jan.
S.S. "ROSANDRA" ... Sailing on or about Early Feb.

For BRINDISI, VENICE & TRIESTE.

via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.
S.S. "DUCHESSA D'AOSTA" ... Sailing on or about 1st Jan.
S.S. "PERSIA" ... Sailing on or about 7th Feb.

This steamer has been specially chartered to facilitate the forwarding of cargo intended for the reconstruction of the devastated areas in Japan.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM CALCUTTA, COLOMBO TO SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

Steamer sailing from Calcutta on or about Early Jan.

Regular Passenger and Cargo Service to South African Ports.

Through Bills of Lading issued from Hongkong.

For Freight or Passage on any of the above Lines apply to:-

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HONGKONG TO PHILIPPINES & AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

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Steamer.	Arrives Hongkong from Australia.	Leave Hongkong for Kobe.
KUT	20th Dec.	22nd Dec.

This steamer is fitted with Refrigerating machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of ice, fresh provisions etc. and has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fares, Cargo booked through to all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian ports.

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(JOHN SWIRE & SON, LTD.)

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INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co., Ltd.**SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.**

Destination.	Steamer.	Sailings.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Chipshing	Sat.	15th Dec. at 10 a.m.
MANILA via Swatow Yatsing	Sat.	15th Dec. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow Yatsing	Sun.	16th Dec. at 7 a.m.
KOBE via Amoy, Shai, Moji Hosang	Sun.	16th Dec. at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta via Fooksang	Mon.	17th Dec. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow Hwangsang	Tues.	18th Dec. at 10 p.m.
TAO via Stow & Shai Kwongsang	Tues.	18th Dec. at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow Wingsang	Sun.	23rd Dec. at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN via Hwangsang	Mon.	24th Dec. at 1 p.m.
TTAO via Stow & Shai Tingsang	Tues.	25th Dec. at 7 a.m.
KOBE via Namsang	Wed.	26th Dec. at noon.
BANGKOK via Hoihow Chunsang	Fri.	28th Dec. at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta via Laisang	Mon.	31st Dec. at 3 p.m.

Calcutta Line:—This Line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore. Returning from Calcutta steamers proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan occasionally calling at Shanghai.

All steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with Electric Light & Fans & carry a fully qualified Surgeon.

Shanghai Line:—Sailings approximately every three days between Canton & Shanghai, sometimes calling at Swatow. Through tickets can be obtained and through Bills of Lading are issued all to Northern and Yangtze Ports via Shanghai.

Manila Line:—A weekly service is maintained with Manila by vessels with good passenger accommodation, sailings from both ports every Friday.

Haiphong Line:—Sailings approximately weekly for passengers and cargo, calling at Hoihow both ways.

Borneo Line:—Fortnightly sailings to and from Sandakan by two 5,000 ton steamers s.s. "HINSANG" & "MAUSANG" both steamers having excellent passenger accommodation. Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading for Kudat, Jesselton, Labuan, Tawao and Lahad Datu.

Tientsin Line:—A regular service is run from March to November between Hongkong & Tientsin occasionally calling at Weihaiwei & Chefoo.

Bangkok Line:—A weekly service is provided between Hongkong & Bangkok, via Swatow, by five steamers fitted with up-to-date passenger accommodation.

CALCUTTA LINE.

S.S. "Fooksang" will be despatched on or about Monday, 17th Dec. at 3 p.m. for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to RANGOON, PORT SWETTENHAM & MADRAS & DUTCH EAST INDIES.

For Freight or Passage apply to:-

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For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow and Returns.

(Occupying 9 to 10 days.)

Steamships.	Captain.	Leaving.
Haiphong	Ellis Walker	FRI. 14th Dec. at 1 p.m.
Haiching	J. S. Thomson	TUES. 18th Dec. at 1 p.m.
Haibong	W. C. Passmore	FRI. 21st Dec. at 1 p.m.

Calling at Amoy for Passengers only.

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EARLIER SPECIAL CABLES.**WASHINGTON'S ENGLISH HOME.**

{United Press Service to the "Telegraph".}

Philadelphia, Dec. 13.
At a meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution held here to-day it was resolved to raise funds to preserve the home of George Washington's ancestors in Sulgrave.—*Reuter's American Service.*

[Sulgrave is a Northants parish, the ancestral seat of the Washington family, six miles from Brackley on the Ouse.]

BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

London, Dec. 13.
It is officially announced that the space for exhibitors in the British Empire Exhibition has been practically all taken up. The Palace of Industry has been over-applied for. Only 14,500 square feet out of 301,637 in the Palace of Engineering is unapplied for.—*Reuter.*

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The Republican National Convention for the nomination of a Republican candidate for the Presidency will be held at Cleveland, Ohio, on the 10th June next.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CONSIGNEES.



The Steamship "PRESIDENT JACKSON" having arrived from Manila on Dec. 13th.

Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., at Kowloon, & stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 15th Dec. by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after December 15th will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation, Agents.

ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE.

4, Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, December, 10th, 1923.

ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE.

The Steamship "PRES. JEFFERSON" having arrived from Seattle via ports, on Dec. 13th.

Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., at Kowloon, & stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed & damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on December 19th by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Dec. 20th, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation, Agents.

ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE.

4, Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, Dec., 13th, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S.S. "PAUL LECAT"

Consignees of Cargo from Marseilles &c. also cargo s/s "ANDROMÈDE" from Bordeaux.

In connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned Goods remaining unclaimed after the 14th instant Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 18th Dec. 1923 or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Friday the 14th Dec. 1923 at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,

Acting Agent
Hongkong, 8th Dec. 1923.

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